Prices of eatables at Stations

3642. SHRI MAHESH KUMAR KANODIA :
SHRI CHETAN P.S. CHAUHAN :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the prices of various eatables and soft drinks sold at railway stations are much higher than the market price;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to bring down the level of prices to cater at reasonable rates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No Sir,

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Taking into account the input costs, the prices fixed for various items are considered reasonable.

[Translation]

Power Projects with Foreign Assistance in U.P.

3643. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA : Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether certain power projects with foreign assistance are being set in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the locations of such projects;

(c) whether there has been considerable delay in the completion of these projects; and

(d) if so, the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) and (b) The following power projects are being set up in Uttar Pradesh with external assistance :—

S. No.	Name of Project	Installed Capacity (MW)	Location
1.	National Capital Thermal Power Project	840	Ghaziabad
2.	Combined Cycle Gas Based Power Project (Dadri)	817	-do-
3.	Tehri Hydro Power Complex	2400	Tehri Garhwal
4.	Anpara 'B' Thermal Project	1000	Sonebhadra
5.	Unchahar (Extension) Thermal Project	420	Rai-Bareilly
6.	Srinagar Hydro-electric Project	330	Pauri Garhwal

(c) and (d) There has been delay in completion of Tehri Hydro Power complex, Srinagar Hydro-electric Project and Anpara 'B' and Unchahar (Extension) Thermal Projects. The delay in the case of Tehri Project is mainly due to issue of environmental clearance and in the case of other projects it is due to constraint of rupee resources with the State Government.

[English]

Literacy Mission for Railway Employees

3644. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the railways have set-up training centres to educate railway employees under National Literacy Mission;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the achievements made so far;

(c) the number of training centres in each zonal railway and the number of participants during last two years; and

(d) the places in Orissa where such centres are proposed to be set up in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.